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LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSING AND TRANSPORTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

KANSAS CITY, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced today that **Scott Matzeder**, 37, Leavenworth, Kansas, was indicted on March 5, 2004, by a federal grand jury in Kansas City, Kansas.

Melgren stated that Matzeder was charged with one count of possession of child pornography that had been received by computer on December 11, 2003, and one count of transporting child pornography by computer on October 16, 2003, both in Leavenworth County, Kansas.

Melgren said that Matzeder was arrested on March 9, 2004, by the Leavenworth Police Department and made his initial appearance and arraignment in U.S. District Court in Kansas City, Kansas, yesterday. Matzeder was released on a \$25,000 bond. He is scheduled to make his next court appearance on April 12, 2004, for a motions hearing.

If convicted, Matzeder faces a maximum of five years in federal prison, without parole, for possessing child pornography and a maximum of fifteen years for transporting child pornography. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Custom Enforcement and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kim Berger.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The charges filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.